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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6088**

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 14

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 10, 2006

**BILL AMENDED:** Jan 9, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Correctional Officers.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Waterman

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** CR Adopted - 1<sup>st</sup> House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X **GENERAL**  
**DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill adds officers of the Department of Correction (DOC) to the definition of a law enforcement officer.

**Effective Date:** Upon passage.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** This bill may require additional state costs for training. The DOC reports that on October 1, 2005, 4,651 custodial officers worked in DOC's adult and juvenile facilities. If these officers had full law enforcement powers, they would need to have additional training in at least arrest procedures and searching and seizures.

Besides arrest powers, law enforcement officers have the power to do the following:

- enforce election laws (IC 3-6-6-35)
- enforce cigarette laws (IC 24-3-4-5)
- seize property and enforce protective and restraining orders (IC 34-6-2-73.3)
- enforce natural resource laws (IC 14-22-40-5)
- search for and seize a firearm in possession of a person who is dangerous (IC 35-47-13-5)

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Department of Correction.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:** Department of Correction.

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